

March 31, 1910

W. H. PRESTON GONE

In a hospital at Kenmare, N. D., on Monday night, March 28th, 1910, W. H. Preston died of typhoid pneumonia. He had gone to the North Dakota town with a carload of work horses. After disposing of the horses, feeling a little out of sorts, he consulted a physician. His ailment was diagnosed as typhoid fever, and he was sent to the hospital. Mrs. Preston went to Kenmare a day or two before his death. He seemed to be doing as well as could be expected of a typhoid patient, and even up to an hour or two of his death, his condition didn't excite serious apprehension. About ten o'clock Monday night his condition became alarming, and Mrs. Preston was called from the hotel as he was breathing his last.

Warren Henry Preston was born in New York state Dec. 6th, 1852, so was fifty-seven years of age last December. Moved to Michigan when a child. Married Catharine Lanning on Feb. 22d, 1875, in Saganaw, Mich. To this union nine children were born; two boys dying in infancy. Five sons and two daughters survive, W. R. of Groton, Roy of Graceville, Minn., George of Meadow, S. D., Louis and Bruce of Young, Sask., Canada; all married except Bruce; the two daughters Misses May and Nellie, Groton.

The family moved to Dakota Territory in 1882, settling in Edmunds Co., and moving to Brown County five years later, locating southwest of Groton, later in Riverside and finally in Groton.

A happy event in the family life was the gathering of all the children with their families at the parental home at Christmas time last year.

Once more the great mystery called death has asserted its power, taking from among us a most genial neighbor and friend, and a splendid citizen. In his dealings he ever evinced a keen sense of honor, and his word was his bond with those who knew him well. The life of such a man preaches better sermons for the general uplift of humanity than many a finely-spun discourse, for it is a tangible, working influence that lives on and on. So, with our condolences goes the certain reflection that his character will ever be treasured as a benediction by kindred and friends.

Funeral tomorrow at 2:00 at the home. Roy is here from Graceville; George and Bruce are on the way.